March 3, 1927. [H. R. 16551.] [Public, No. 773.]

CHAP. 370.—An Act To permit the granting of Federal aid in respect of certain roads and bridges.

roads.

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Tolls to be applied to construction cost.

Tolls to cease when cost shall have been repaid.

Operation 28 bridge thereafter.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the

Federal aid to State United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwith-Extended to toll standing any provision of the Act entitled "An Act to provide that bridges, etc., con-structed by States, etc. the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes," approved July 11, 1916, or of the Federal Highway Act, the Secretary of Agriculture may extend, on the same basis and in the same manner as in the construction of any free bridge, Federal aid under such Acts, in the construction of any toll bridge and approaches thereto, by any State or States, or political subdivision or subdivisions thereof, upon the condition that such bridge is owned and operated by such State or States, or political subdivision or subdivisions thereof, and that all tolls received from the operation thereof, less the actual cost of operation and maintenance, are applied to the repayment to the State or States, or political subdivision or subdivisions thereof, of its or their part of the cost of construction of such bridge, and upon the further condition that when the amount contributed by such State or States, or political subdivision or subdivisions thereof, in the construction of such bridge shall have been repaid from the tolls, the collection of tolls for the use of such bridge shall thereafter cease, and the same shall be maintained and operated as a free bridge.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

March 3, 1927. [H. R. 16287.] [Public, No. 774.]

CHAP. 371.—An Act For the irrigation of additional lands within the Fort Hall Indian irrigation project in Idaho.

Fort Hall Indian Reservation, Idaho. Amount authorized for extending irrigation project in.

Provisos. Lands benefited to bear share of cost of rehabilitating project, Vol. 42, p. 568.

Lien against lands in Indian ownership.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$145,000 for the extension of the irrigation system over an area of nine thousand six hundred and seventy acres within the Fort Hall project, Idaho, between Fort Hall and Gibson: Provided, That the lands to be benefited shall bear their pro rata share of the cost of providing irrigation facilities therefor which shall include a proper proportionate share of rehabilitating the Fort Hall project as provided for in the Act of May 24, 1922 (Forty-second Statutes, pages 552-568), and that the amount herein authorized to be appropriated, or so much thereof as may be expended, together with the proper proportionate share of the cost of providing irrigation facilities, as determined by the Secretary of the Interior, for this land that was expended out of the funds authorized to be appropriated by the said Act of May 24, 1922, shall be reimbursed on a per acre basis by the lands benefited; and that in case of lands still held in Indian ownership for which irrigation facilities shall be provided under the provisions of this Act, there is created a first lien against such lands which shall be recited in any patent issued therefor and shall be enforced by the Secretary of the Interior under such rules and regulations and conditions as he may Lien against lands prescribe: Provided juriner, That in case of such not in Indian owner-ship to assure repay. Indian ownership that may be benefited hereby, the owners of such ment of construction lands shall be required to execute an agreement with said Secretary a first lien against such lands to assure repayment of the proper proportionate share of the construction cost

prior to the delivery of water to any such lands: And provided